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City Seeks Nominees for Veterans Parade Grand Marshal

The City of San Marcos is again turning to the local community for nominations for grand marshal for the city's 2010 Veterans Day Parade, scheduled Saturday, Nov. 6, 2010.

The nomination deadline is Oct. 1.

Last year, for the second year in a row, a non-partisan committee chose the parade's honorary leader from an enthusiastic field of nominees. In 2008, eight veterans were nominated for the honor. In 2009, the number of nominees increased to 11.

Vietnam era U.S. Army veteran George W. Kumpe Jr. was chosen to serve as grand marshal. Other nominees included U. S. Marine Corps veterans 1st Lt. Tom L. Bambrick, Lt. Col. George Boemerman, Alan Cameron; Army veteran Richard Cruz; U.S. Air Force veterans Dr. Theodore Dake Jr., Lt. Col. Robert L. "Bob" Dentino, father and son Thomas C. Ivarra Sr. and Thomas C. Ivarra Jr.; Dr. Dick E. Hammond, who served in the U.S. Marine Air Force; and U.S. Navy veteran Captain Bettye G. Nagy.

City Recreation Manager Lisa Morris, who has led the city's Veterans Day Parade organizing group for the past four years, also provides support to the City Council appointed Veterans Affairs Advisory Committee. Morris is again providing the leadership and support required to make the growing Veterans Day Parade even larger.

Nomination forms for grand marshal should be submitted to Lisa Morris at lmorris@sanmarcostx.gov or they can be dropped off or mailed to the Parks and Recreation office at the Grant Harris Building, located at 401 E. Hopkins Street, San Marcos, 78666.

Nominations must include the full name and relevant details of the individual's military service, along with detailed contact information, including a telephone number. The nomination deadline is Oct. 1.

Criteria for nomination include:

- Must be a San Marcos area resident
- Must have served in the U.S. military during a time of military conflict
- Must have been honorably discharged from the service
- Must be willing to share his or her military service memories

According to Morris, Veterans Day Parade applications are posted on the city website www.sanmarcostx.gov. Area individuals, educational institutions, businesses and organizations are invited to “join the parade.” For more information, call Parks and Recreation at (512)393-8400.

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